

Prescott Honored on 80th Birthday

2 May 1985

A.D. (Dick) Prescott was born May 9, 1905 in Francis, Summit County Utah to Amas and Melvina Davis Prescott. He had seven brothers Elvin, Tom, Ralph, Frank and Marvell all deceased. Earl of Francis, Darrell of Heber City. Also two sisters Nettie Simmons of Francis and Ethlene Sweeney of Lakeland Florida.

He attended school in Francis and Kamas until at the age of 18 he went to work in the Park City Mines and he worked there almost continually for 47 years until he retired in 1970 at age 65.

On June 1, 1923 he married Irene Atkinson in Coalville, Utah and their marriage was later solemnized in the S.L. LDS Temple. They were the parents of six children. Mrs. Oren (Wanda) Smith of Lyman, Wyo. Eva who passed away of drowning in Lakes Hot Pots in Midway. Mildred, and twins Ira and Irene who died in infancy and Weldon of Kamas.

Dick worked in the mines and farmed until 1945 when he built the "Chick-a-Dilly Inn" in Francis which he and Irene operated until her death in 1947. In 1948 he married Maye McNeil. She was the mother of four children. Mrs. LaVerl (Barbara) Simmons who lives in Mtn. View, Wyo., Mrs. Lowell (Colleen) Thacker of Whiterocks, Utah, Phillip McNeil (deceased) and Michael and Nelda McNeil of



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Heber City. Dick and May are the parents of Richard Prescott and Loie of Mtn. View, Wyo. They now have 26 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren.

With the help of all the family they continued to operate the Chick a Dilly until 1964 when they sold out and moved to Kamas.

Dick has always been active in community affairs. He was on the original town Board of Francis for two terms when the town was incorporated and again in 1960 when he along with other board members succeeded in getting the first water system for the town. Dick was chairman of the project. He also worked on the Duchesne Tunnel and the

Rockport Dam.

After moving to Kamas, he as chairman and all the homeowners from 2nd to 4th South joined together and with the cooperation of the Town Board and the State Road Crew, hired a contractor and installed curb, gutter and sidewalks and also made the road ten feet wider making it safer and a very attractive addition to the town.

He was also one of the original officers of the South Summit Senior Citizens and helped in securing the property on 4th So. and Main St. and getting a beautiful building erected.

He has worked as Crossing Guard for the Elementary School District for the past 12 years and is still on the job. He loves it very much. The children and the teachers are his best friends.

He has also been a faithful church worker all his life and has held many positions. He was on the Stake Sunday School Board and has been a Home Teacher for 18 years. He holds the office of a High Priest at the present time.

His family invites all his friends and relatives to come and wish him a Happy Birthday on May 11, 1985 at the Kamas Town Park from 2 to 4 p.m. There will be a program at 3 p.m. No gifts please. We just wish the pleasure of your company.



AWARDS DEGREE— Tim Burke (left) National President of the Future Farmers of America presents the American Farmer Degree to John Price of Midway, Utah. The American Farmer Degree is the highest de-

gree of membership in the FFA. It was presented to 471 FFA members during the 45th National FFA Convention held in Kansas City, Missouri, October 10-13.

John Price Gets Degree Of American Farmer

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JOHN IS THE SON OF MR. and Mrs. J. Fred Price of Charleston, Utah. Price is married and lives at Midway, Utah.

The American Farmer Degree is presented only by the National Organization of the Future Farmers of America to members who have demonstra-

ted exceptional agricultural and leadership ability. State FFA Associations are permitted to submit one candidate for the first 500 members, or two for the first 1,000 plus one candidate for each additional 1,000 members. The 471 FFA members awarded the American Farmer Degree represent the best of more than 430,000 FFA members now enrolled in the nations 7,857 high school vocational agriculture departments.

FFA MEMBERS BEGIN AS "Greenhands" and after one year of membership may be advanced by the local chapter to the degree of "Chapter Farmer". The third degree, that of "State Farmer", is presented by the State FFA Association and is limited to no more than two percent of the State's FFA

membership in any one year. Only students who have earned the State Farmer Degree are eligible for the American Farmer Degree.

In addition to having earned the State Farmer Degree, candidates for the American Farmer Degree must have been active members of the FFA continuously for at least three years. They must have a record of participation in local and state FFA activities and they must have completed all of the

Clarence C. Probst

Midway, Woodbury County—
 Clarence C. Probst, 44, died Jan. 20, 1942, at his home in Midway, Iowa. He was born Oct. 17, 1897, in Kansas, and was a member of the Methodist church. He was a member of the Midway church and was a member of the Midway church. He was a member of the Midway church and was a member of the Midway church.



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JACOB B. PROBST, bishop of Midway Ward No. 2 in the Church of the Latter Day Saints, has been not only an earnest churchman but one of the most successful citizens and business men in Wasatch County.

Mr. Probst was born in Switzerland, January 3, 1864, son of John Ulrich and Anna Barbara (Kiener) Probst. He was eight years of age when his parents came to America, in 1872, and settled in Wasatch County, Utah. On the farm of his parents Mr. Probst spent his early years, attending local schools and the Brigham Young University at Provo. Since leaving college his

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chief business has been farming, stock raising and merchandising. He built up an extensive estate as a stock raiser and irrigation farmer and for a number of years was manager of the local cooperative store.

As a young man he went back to his native land and spent two and a half years in missionary duty there and in Germany. His service as bishop of the Midway Ward covers a period of over twenty-nine years, since 1903. For three years he was also stake high counselor. Mr. Probst is a Republican, was for four years county commissioner, assessor six years, member of the town council eight years, and for two years a justice of the peace. But brief enumeration of services and positions held is all that is necessary to establish his identity as one of the men of mark in modern Utah.

Mr. Probst married in September, 1891, Miss Mary M. Huber. She was born in Wasatch County, but her parents, John and Mary M. (Munz) Huber, came from Switzerland to America in 1863 and crossed the plains to Utah with ox teams. Mr. and Mrs. Probst have two living children. The son Carl L. married Carrie Wright, of Hinckley, Utah. The son Vernon H. has active charge of his father's farm. The three deceased children were named Leah, Estella and Stanley.

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John Ulrich Probst, son of Ulrich Probst Sr., and Anna Barbara Kiener, was born October 18, 1860 at Habstetten, Bern, Switzerland. He married Susanna Gertsch, December 18, 1891 in the Logan Temple. He died September 13, 1950 in Midway.

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BEAUTIFUL UPON THE MOUNTAINS



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In the spring of 1888, he homesteaded 160 acres of land near St. Anthony, Idaho. In the fall of 1891, he met Susanna Gertsch, who had just immigrated to Midway from Switzerland. They were married December 18, 1891 at the Logan Temple. He received a mission call to Switzerland on the 9th of April, 1895. He wrote the following from his life's story—"I sold two beef cows for \$16.00 each, a young five-year old horse, weighing 1100 pounds for \$45.00, another for \$25.00. I received \$75.00 from Lundeen for letting him in on the Probst ditch. All told, my wife and I had about \$400.00 for my mission and it took over \$100.00 to take me to my field of labor. All then that I had left was \$300.00.

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all of her life, has received many awards for her faithfulness and perfect attendance records. She was also a faithful Primary teacher for several years.

John Ulrich and Susanna Gertsch Probst celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with their eleven children present. Four of their children fulfilled missions. At the time of their marriages all of the children were eligible for temple recommends and were married in the Temples. —

Born January 29, 1850, at Newark, New Jersey, son of Luke and Julia Ann Wheeler Provost. Married Clarissa Van Wagoner October 22, 1876 by Bishop David Van Wagoner, brother of the bride. Died June 13, 1933, Midway.

Clarissa Van Wagoner Provost, born December 22, 1858, Provo, Utah. Daughter of John Halmah Van Wagoner and Clarissa Tappen. Died March 16, 1940, Midway.

A black and white portrait of a man with a mustache, identified as John W. Smith. He is wearing a dark suit jacket and a light-colored shirt with a dark tie. The background is a mottled, textured grey.

David Woodruff Provost, second son in his family, truly added his strength to the pioneers of Midway and Wasatch County. He lived with and helped support his widowed mother and her family until he married.

He was a Black Hawk War veteran. He was captain of the Ira N. Jacobs Company in Utah Militia Infantry. He was awarded the Medal of Honor presented by the State of Utah. "Uncle Dave" carried the first tape in the original survey of Midway. He also held the first plow for the first irrigation ditch made in Midway.

He played the snare drums in the Martial Band for years.

He and his brother, Luke, owned their own brick kiln and made brick which they sold to build many homes in Wasatch County. He was a brick layer, good carpenter, shoemaker, barber, butcher, wood carver and farmer. He did lots of step dancing for public entertainment.

With the help of his good wife, Clara, they raised a big family. Many sad experiences came into their home, such as sudden death and much sickness. Times were hard for them but in spite of this, their home was open to the public at all hours. Many friends both young and old came for musical entertainment and good visiting. They raised three children of their son, Luke, whose wife had died leaving the tiny tots to their care.

Aunt Clara was a spotless housekeeper and a good cook. She was pleasant to be with, always having faith in the Lord and the thought that everything would work out all right.

Children of David and Clarissa were:
Mrs. Fletcher (Clarissa Florence) Arthur
David William
Luke Alma (married Mary Tivishia Vail)
George Anne
Mary Melvina (died in early youth)

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Cynthia Loretta, died in early youth
Mrs. Frank (Ade Lovilla) Giles
Mrs. Ray (Trella May) Giles
Earl Drell, married Freda E. Roylance

Reed Rasband

HEBER CITY — Reed Rasband, 83, died July 13, 1986 at home. Born Jan. 30, 1903 in Heber City to Joseph A. and Eliza Jeffs Rasband. Married Teenie Montgomery May 23, 1928 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. Had lived in Heber City all his life where he operated an ice business, a coal



business and was a cattleman. Also worked for Heber City. Served as a counselor in the bishopric and high priest group leader. Served on the school board. Served an LDS mission in Southern California.

Survived by wife, Heber City; sons, J. Verl and Boyd M., both Provo; John Lynn, Bountiful; Noel J., Salt Lake; 14 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Heber, Lincoln, Mark and Mrs. Leonard (Mary) Bacon, all Heber City; Irving, Salt Lake; Mima Rasband, Provo. Preceded in death by two brothers, Sylvan and Walter.

Funeral service Wednesday, 11 a.m., Heber 5th Ward Chapel. Friends may call at Olpin Mortuary Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. and at the church Wednesday one hour prior to service. Burial Heber City Cemetery.

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He owned and operated an ice business, a coal business and was self-employed. He was a farmer and a cattleman.



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He was an active member of the LDS Church. He served a mission to Southern California, and served as a counselor in bishopric and High Priest group.

He was a member of the Wasatch County School Board.

Survivors include his wife of Heber City; four sons: J. Verl Rasband and Boyd M. Rasband, both of Provo; John Lynn Rasband, Bountiful; Noel J. Rasband, Salt Lake City; 14 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; four brothers and two sisters: Heber Rasband, Lincoln Rasband, Mark Rasband and Mrs. Leonard (Mary) Bacon, all of Heber City; Irving Rasband, Salt Lake City; Mima Rasband, Provo.

Services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the Heber Fifth Ward Chapel, 200 W. 100 N., Heber City. Friends may call at Olpin Mortuary, Heber City, Tuesday 7-9 p.m. and at the church Wednesday one hour prior to services.

Burial will be at the Heber City Cemetery.

Merrill Reese

HEBER CITY -- Merrill John Reese, 81, died June 13, 1985 at his home in Heber City.

He was born March 29, 1904 in Bloomington, Idaho to Lotwick and Mary Jane Johns Reese. He married Stella Giles Aug. 29, 1929 in the Salt Lake Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He attended Ricks College and graduated from BYU. He served an LDS mission to the Northwestern States, and was a high priest in the Heber 7th Ward. He worked as a school teacher and



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farmer and was the owner-operator of the the Snow King Drive Inn.

Survivors include his wife of Heber City; three daughters and two sons: Mrs. Kenneth (Merrilyn) Milliner, Salt Lake City; Mrs. John Hal (Norma R.) Jacobson, Renton, Wash.; Mrs. Carl Hugh (Gloria) Jones, Lincoln, Neb.; Kay Thomas Reese, Tooele; and Karl Jay Reese, Heber City; two brothers and one sister: Ivan Reese, Bloomington, Id.; Eldon Reese, Springville; Mrs. LaVina Doerfler, Salt Lake City; 25 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 11 a.m. in the Heber 7th Ward Church. Friends may call at the Olpin Mortuary in Heber City Sunday, 6-8 p.m. and at the church one hour prior to services.

Burial will be in the Heber City Cemetery.

JOHN AND SARAH McAFFEE
RITCHIE



John Ritchie was born November 28, 1843 at Colmornock, Scotland, a son of James and Agnes Robertson Ritchie. - Married Sarah McAffee January, 1867. She was born in Scotland in 1847, a daughter of John and Ann Sharp. John died January 10, 1932. Sarah died June 23, 1919.

Among the pioneers of Charleston were John Ritchie and his wife Sarah McAffee Ritchie. John Ritchie came here at twenty years of age from Scotland. He landed in Heber the next year. Sarah, who also came from Scotland, met John in Heber and soon after they were married and moved to Charleston. They took up land some two miles south of where the town now is. Here they raised their family.

The first school in Charleston, the one their children attended, was just south of their home, held in Sarah Ritchie's father's shop.

By this time a number of families had settled on farms on each side of the river. Later a school was established where the town now is. The children walked more than two miles to school. John Ritchie and Sarah lived for some sixty years in Charleston, before going to Provo. Much of the hay and grain of the valley was produced in the section of the valley where they lived.

They were the parents of eleven children: John M. Ritchie, Mrs. Wilford D. (Sarah Ann) Wright, James Ritchie, Agnes Ritchie, died young, Mrs. Joseph S. (Jane) Wright,

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Mrs. James (Mary Elizabeth) Wagstaff, Mrs. George B. (Phebe) Wright, William McGhie, Mrs. John W. (Margaret) Stubbs, David died young, and Mrs. John W. (Ella Louisa) Stubbs. 1034-5

Jeremiah Albert Jr.
 Sidney Theophilus
 Mary Jane Tietjen
 Electa Ruth Henigar
 Matilda Evelyn Dahl
 Bessie Henrietta Ludwig
 Francis Sophia Smith.

JEREMIAH AND RUTH TUCKER ROBEY



Jeremiah Robey, son of Jeremiah Robey and Mary Ogden Robey. Born April 14, 1809 in Harrison County, West Virginia.

Married Ruth Tucker November 7, 1833. Died November 22, 1903, Midway.

Ruth Tucker was born June 26, 1816 at Shinston, West Virginia, a daughter of Jeremiah and Ruth Ashcroft Tucker. She died in Midway, January 17, 1892.

Jeremiah Robey's parents were among the wealthy, prominent people of Harrison County and had a large family of sturdy sons and daughters. His mother was a sister to Susan Ogden Bigler, the mother of the late Bathsheba Bigler Smith, and grandmother of Edna and Juliana Smith, widows of the late President Joseph F. Smith.

In his early manhood Mr. Robey learned the trade of carpenter and cabinetmaker. He went from one place to another where carpenters were needed, always demanding a good wage. His uncle, Mark Bigler and wife Susan, had become members of the Church and had moved to Nauvoo. Mrs. Robey had also been converted, but her husband had not, he was away in Indiana on a carpenter job. Mrs. Robey decided to go to Nauvoo. She took her three little children and joined the Biglers there. They wrote Mr. Robey that work was plentiful in Nauvoo, so he met his family there in 1841. His wife had been a member of the Church for three years, but as yet he had not been converted.

When they arrived in Nauvoo, they were welcomed by his friends and uncle's family. After remaining in Nauvoo for a short time, he was converted to the Gospel, and was baptized in May, 1841, by the Prophet Joseph Smith. In October, 1842, he was ordained an Elder by Wilford Woodruff.

While in Nauvoo he worked unceasingly on the Temple and was the one to hang the last door. He went through all the trials and persecutions of the saints at that time, but never faltered in his faith. He was very much grieved over the martyrdom of Joseph and Hyrum. After he left Nauvoo he went to Pisgah, where he remained for a time and then went to Council Bluffs and from there he joined the David Wood Company and came to Utah, arriving in Provo in August, 1852. While in Provo, he, in company with Edwin Bunnell, worked as a cabinet-maker and carpenter. He settled in Provo on the advice of his cousin, George A. Smith, who said there was need of carpenters and cabinetmakers in that place. In 1859, he came to Midway and was one of the early settlers of Provo Valley. After arriving here he devoted most of his time to farming, as his second son, Jeremiah A. Robey, had learned the trade of carpentry and could handle most of the work here.

On November 7, 1833, he married Ruth Tucker, by whom he had ten children. In 1876, he went on a mission to his old home in West Virginia and met most of his relatives, whom he had not seen since 1841.

He was one of the pioneer bee-raisers of this valley, and he set out some of the first fruit trees—apple, pear and plum. He raised currants, gooseberries, and strawberries for his own table and had success with celery.

For a number of years he was recorder for the Snake Creek Mining District, and he held the position of school trustee for over thirteen years. He was a quiet, unassuming man. He lived to see his fifth generation and had a picture taken with them. He was always an earnest advocate of the gospel, and loved to bear his testimony to its truthfulness. He impressed upon his family and friends the knowledge he knew that Joseph Smith was a prophet of God. After the death of his wife in 1892, he made his home with his youngest daughter, Matilda Springer, until his death.

After an illness of one week, at the age of 94 years and seven months, he passed away. In his latter days he did a great

deal of temple work for his ancestors, both in the Salt Lake and Manti Temples.

Ruth came to Utah with her husband and five children, and settled in Provo. She joined the Church in her native state, West Virginia, in 1838, having been converted by some missionaries who were laboring in that section.

When she left with her children to go to Nauvoo she had no idea she would not return again to her West Virginia home and her people, but she never did, and never saw any of them again. She moved to Midway with her husband and family in the spring of 1859.

She endured many of the trials and hardships incidental to pioneer life, but was always cheerful and contented.

She was hospitable and made every one welcome in her home; no one was turned away hungry from her door. She was a good hand in sickness and helped many who were suffering and in pain. She was always kind to little children and was loved and revered by her grandchildren. At the death of her daughter, Susan, she took her three little motherless girls and reared them to womanhood, caring for them as though they were her very own. The girls were: Sarah Jane Ross, who married Henry Alexander, Jr.; Susan Ross, who married William O'Neil; and Lavernia Virginia Ross, who married Hiram Gould, and later Fred Eder.

She was a sweet singer and used to sing the old-fashioned songs, and tell stories of her early days and experiences in crossing the plains and during the early Indian troubles. She loved to bear her testimony to the truthfulness of the Gospel, and that Joseph Smith was a prophet of the Lord. She was loved and respected by all who knew her. She died very suddenly while sitting in her chair on a Sunday morning at the age of 75 years and six months. She is buried in the Midway Cemetery.

The children of Jeremiah and Ruth Tucker Robey were:

Theophilus Katen, married Sarah Mathews and later Maria Rolfe;

Mary Jane, married Sidney H. Epperson;

Susan Luvernia, married James Ross;

James Allison, died in infancy;

Maria and Sophia, twins, died in early childhood;

Jeremiah Albert, married Martha Dowdle;

Matilda, married Nathan Springer;

Twin boys, who died at birth.

THE ROOKER FAMILY LINE



Samuel McRae Rooker was born October 5, 1813 at Yorks, South Carolina. His father, Jennings Rooker, immigrated from Ireland. Samuel moved to Mississippi as a young man and married Amelia Woolridge Hundley (her second marriage) on August 5, 1835.

John Bunyon Rooker was born April 25 1840 in Nuxubee County, Mississippi. A short time later the family moved to Texas after the Mexican-Texas war and took up land. As the tempest began to brew which precipitated the Civil War, Samuel and a few other close friends felt they wanted no part in the fighting; so they sold or gave away their land and slaves and left for the west, having heard of the settling of Oregon, Utah and California. They arrived on Cherry Creek, Colorado, and camped on what is now known as Denver the spring of 1858. They decided to stay for awhile as Mrs. Elinor Hundley was soon to have a baby. This son, named Jefferson Hundley, is claimed by the family to be the first white child born in the Denver vicinity.

Samuel and his son, John, then a young man of 18 years, built a log cabin and have been credited in official Denver history of building the first house in Denver, then known as Auraria. They were given 16 city lots for this honor.

John, a restless young man, engaged in a bit of poker playing during the summer, became involved in a fight over a card game and when the man, Jack O'Neil, came for John with a gun, John was ready and shot

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and killed him. A trial was held and John was acquitted. After this shooting, the family left and returned to Texas the late summer or early fall of 1858. When leaving they traded their 16 city lots for some horses. They found matters worse than when they left so immediately returned to Denver. A party of six or eight families decided to go west again by wagon and during the early winter went over south pass in Colorado and arrived at a fort in Springville, Utah late in 1858. It was while at Springville that John met his wife-to-be, Mary Elizabeth Smith, born in Pottowettomy County, Iowa, October 6, 1851. They were married at Heber, March 7, 1866.

After checking the land settlement possibilities in the Heber Valley, Samuel decided to go there and was among the first settlers in the old Fort Heber settlement, building a cabin there either the summer of 1859 or spring of 1860. The family moved to Center Creek and Samuel died and was buried there November 16, 1894.

It is regrettable that so little was recorded of the life of Samuel Rooker in the Heber Valley. Even the date of his death has been lost but love for peace and harmony among men made him a good neighbor and a tireless worker for the welfare of his family.

John Rooker joined the Latter-day Saint Church, but was never active. His life was filled with disappointments for his family, as he was a constant user of liquor and spent a great deal of his time gambling. He was, however, an indulgent, kind-hearted and generous husband and father. Perhaps too much so for the good of himself and family. John B. Rooker died at Center while walking home from a visit to his daughter's, Verna R. Blake Allison, home on September 18, 1908. Six children were born of this marriage, John, James, Mary, Sarah, Verna and Thomas. 1082

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lev) the same year her parents came, in 1859, but lived in Heber.

When her third child was born she was critically ill and died because of inexperienced medical assistance. The winter had been an exceptionally severe one, and at the time of her death, in April, the snow was so deep it took her father and brother nearly a whole day to reach Heber, a distance of about four miles. Her mother had been with her during her illness and had done everything in her power to save her life. She was an exceptionally sweet woman and was loved by all who knew her. She was always kind and cheerful, fond of singing, and her home was a gathering place of many young people.

After her death her mother took the three children and reared them to womanhood, caring for them as though they were her own. She died as many of the early pioneer saints, for the cause of humanity, and the building of a commonwealth from which future generations might dwell in peace and comfort. She is buried at Heber City, Utah.

JAMES JACKSON ROSS



James Jackson Ross was born November 28, 1837, son of Melvin Ross and Rebecca Smith.

James married Susan Luvernia Robey, who was born April 15, 1838, in Harrison County, West Virginia; dying April 23, 1862. She was the daughter of Jeremiah Robey and Ruth Tucker.

Children: Sarah Jane (Henry Miles Alexander), Susan Matilda (William O'Neal), and Virginia (Hyrum Gould).

SUSAN LUVERNIA ROBEY ROSS

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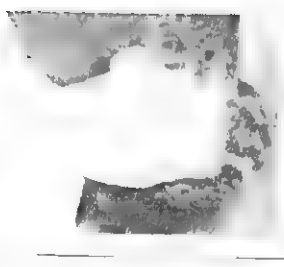
James married Sarah Provost, who was born in 1874, in January, 1855. She was the daughter of Luke Provost.

Children: Emma (died) and James Isaac (Jane Young).

James Jackson Ross came to Utah in 1850 with the Aaron Johnson company.

He participated in the Echo Canyon trouble, was an Indian war veteran, a farmer and a stock raiser. He died May 2, 1909, at Vernal, Utah.

Lowell Ryan



Alison Ryan

WALLSBURG BIOGRAPHIES

JOSEPH SABEY AND EMILY JANE CLARK

Joseph Sabey was born September 23, 1855, at Bradfordshire, England, son of James Sabey and Jane Bower Joseph, and died December 6, 1910, as the result of a horse falling on him.

Emily Jane Clark was born June 18, 1853, at Cottonwood, Salt Lake County, Utah, daughter of William Clark and Jane Stephenson. They moved to Lehi when she was a baby. There she was married to Joseph Sabey on January 3, 1877, at the home of her parents. She died August 2, 1945.

Joseph's parents came to Utah with a handcart company while he was very young, settling in Lehi. His mother died while he was still young, so he lived with his grandparents during his teen-age years, and then with his father at Wallsborg.

After their marriage they lived in Wallsborg three years, then moving to Lehi for several years. Going back to Wallsborg, Joseph homesteaded a farm, where he lived until his death. It is now the Arthur Burch farm. Emily Jane moved to Orem, where she died.

Their children: Joseph, William, James Edgar, Rosette, Emmett Franklin, June, Ellis Clark and Richard.

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Homesteader*

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ALBERT SIMMONS

Albert Simmons, 72, died on January 20 in Salt Lake City after a long illness.

He was born on June 14, 1898 in Charleston, Wasatch County, to George W. and Sarah Winter-son Simmons. He married Nel-lie May Prescott on October 1, 1924 in Coalville, later sol- emnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

He was a retired miner, farm- er, employed in Desert Industries.

Survivors: widow; sons, dau- ghter Mrs. Elmer (Rita) And- reeson, Salt Lake City; Dale, Doyle, both Frisco; 15 grand- children; 7 great-grandchildren; brothers, sisters Jesse, Chester, Mrs. Melvin (Ellen) Estough, Eureka; Sylvan, Brigham City; Ernest, Center Creek; William, Heber City.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday in the Francis LDS Ward Chapel.

Burial was in the Francis Cemetery.

HUSBAND	SIMMONS, John William	(Farmer)
Birth	11 Nov. 1880	
Place	Bountiful, Davis, Utah	
Chr.		
Married	11 Jan. 1905	
Place	Salt Lake City-S-LK, Utah	
Death	11 June 1961	
Burial	Charleston, Wasatch, Utah	
Father	SIMMONS, George Edward	
Mother*	TURNER, Dora	
Other Wives (if any)	(2) 8 Sept. 1925-MC CULLOCK, Mary Ann	
	(3) 8 Sept. 1941-BERGEN, Ellen Lerane	



WIFE	DAYBELL, Phebe Elizabeth
Birth	8 Dec 1883
Place	Charleston, Wasatch, Utah
Chr	
Death	9 Dec 1921
Burial	Charleston, Wasatch, Utah
Father	DAYBELL, William
Mother*	PRICE, Annie
Other Hus (if any)	
Where was information obtained? CASPER, Coleen (Sundstrom)	
*List complete maiden name for all females.	

LEO EARL SMITH
AND NANCY ELLA SHELTON



Leo Earl Smith was born April 8, 1884, at Provo, Utah. He was the youngest son of James and Christeena Penrod Smith. His father had two wives. One home was on Third West, just off Center Street. Aunt Janie Duke Smith, as the second family called her, had nine children: James Duke, John William, Sarah Ann, Maria, Richard, Almira, Deanah, Olive Minerva and Nellie. The second wife, Leo's mother, lived on

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the Twelfth North property. They had Christeena, David, Joseph Albert, James Ephraim, Abraham Lewis, Temperance, Elizabeth, Thomas Jay, Minnie and Leo Earl.

His childhood memories are very wonderful. His home was surrounded by tall trees which branched together and almost made a roof over his home. In each corner of the lot was a different kind of fruit tree. In front was a tree that had been grafted and it had both red and white apples on it. They always had a big garden, which was surrounded on all sides by a ditch. There was a cellar with a sandstone floor in it. In one corner of the cellar was a spring and a little ditch ran all around the sandstone floor. His mother always grew beautiful flowers.

Nancy Ella Shelton Smith was born on April 24, 1885, in Heber, Utah. She was the daughter of James Alfred and Sarah Jane McDonald Shelton, and also the eldest child. Her brothers and sisters are: Charles, Leslie, Eva, Jennie, Dora, Leland, Earl, Clyde and Grant. The family moved to Daniel, Wasatch County, Utah.

Leo and Ella Shelton were married on December 13, 1905, in the Salt Lake Temple. They made their home in Provo two years. Here Delsa Smith Price and Alfred Earl Smith were born. Then they moved to Daniel, where six more children were born: Eva Smith Gines, Deon Smith McKnight, Jay L. Smith, Nola Smith Luke, Nyle Smith Bird and Dean Smith. They have 32 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

They have lived in Daniel and helped pioneer and develop it. They helped clear the sagebrush, put in the culinary water, electric lights, telephone, irrigation water and build the Church house and whatever else was to be done. They are both living wonderful lives. Their lives have influenced many in the community.

JOSEPH M. SMITH



Joseph M. Smith, son of Ephraim and Nancy Elizabeth Smith, was born September 22, 1861, and died July 28, 1945. He married Isabell Lindsay on December 26, 1881. She was the daughter of William and Christine Howie Lindsay and was born December 31, 1860, in Thorton Row, Ayrshire, Scotland. She died March 15, 1948, in Heber City.

The following children were born to this couple: Elizabeth, Wallas, Joseph, Lon, Oron J., Douglas, James L., George Dewy, Ephraim, Glenn, Roy and Hope.

Their temple work has been done. Joseph and Isabell lived in Heber most of their

lives, except for six years spent in McHenry Canyon, near Park City. Joe was a good farmer and captured prizes at state and county fairs for his potatoes.

Isabell was a very humble woman. She was a good singer and sang in choirs. She was set apart by Thomas Rasband as a teacher in the first Primary in Heber City. Her teachers in school were Sam Wang and William Buys. They had only one arithmetic book for all the grades. The musicians for entertainment were Ephraim Smith, Henry Walker and Jim Wheeler.

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Tribune Special

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She was married to Mr. Smith Dec. 26, 1884. He died in 1945. She was active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and was a Relief society teacher for a number of years.

Surviving are six of her 11 sons and daughters: Mrs. Elizabeth Fitzgerald, San Jose, Cal.; Lon and Dewey Smith, and Mrs. Hope S. Olson, Heber; Douglas L. Smith, Granger, Wyo.; James L. Smith, Provo; 18 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; a half brother, John L. Muir, Center Creek, Wasatch county.

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WILLIAM ELLER STOKER JR.
AND MARY GLENN

William Eller Stoker Jr. was born May 14, 1873, at Centerville, Davis County, Utah, son of William E. Stoker Sr. and Sally Ann Kilbourn. On November 15, 1899, at Wallsburg, he married Mary Glenn, daughter of Robert Wilson Glenn Jr. and Adelia Vilate Mecham. She was born September 20, 1879, at Wallsburg. Their marriage was solemnized October 8, 1943, in the Salt Lake Temple. Adelia died February 27, 1954, and William on May 17, 1959, both at

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Salt Lake City, and are buried in the Elysian Burial Gardens at Murray, Utah.

Their children, who were all born at Wallsburg, are: William Eller, Sterling Wilson, Theron LeGrand, Parley Pratt, Annie Vilate and Clifford Glenn. 982

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JOHN AND MARY KELLER SULZER

John Sulzer was born March 28, 1846 in Switzerland, a son of Casper and Kathryn Steidler Sulzer and emigrated to Utah in 1861 with the Joseph W. Young Company. He married Mary Margaret Keller in Heber. She was born Oct. 10, 1859 in Enz, Switzerland, a daughter of Adam and Anna Barbara Keller. She and her mother were converted to Mormonism and baptized by Karl G. Maeser, and came to Utah in 1869, leaving their husband and father and other members of the family, who were millionaires, in Switzerland.

John was a High Priest in the Church and was a faithful ward teacher for many years. He was an active farmer and also a veteran of the Black Hawk War. Mary was very active in the Church and had a remarkable record in Relief Society visiting teaching. She became bedfast in 1941 and died April 4, 1944 in Heber.

The twelve children of John and Mary were as follows: John Albert, born May 16, 1878; Mary Alice, born Aug., 1880; Elizabeth Bertha, born Nov. 17, 1882; Nephi, born June 10, 1885; Eliza, born and died Oct. 28, 1886; Kathryn Nicie, born Feb. 27, 1889; Della, born June 24, 1892; Lillie, born April 16, 1895; Illa Edna, born Nov. 4, 1897; Owen, born and died Sept. 5, 1900; Anna, born Dec. 23, 1902 and Dean Glade, born and died April 4, 1907.

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Farmer

Black Hawk Vet

ELI SWAIN AND ADA M. MORTENSEN

Eli Swain, son of Robert Henry and Sophia Johnson Swain, was born July 5, 1884, in Salt Lake City. He moved to Buysville (Daniel) in 1888. He married Ada Maretta Mortensen on July 7, 1911, in the Salt Lake Temple.

They lived at Bluebell, Duchesne County, where Ada taught school for awhile. They lived on a farm and raised sheep and cattle until November, 1916, when they moved to Phoenix, Arizona, and went into the mercantile business. He has always tried to help anyone in need and never turned anyone away from his door, always feeding them if asked and fitting them out with clean clothes even if he needed them himself. Always active in the Church, he was president of the choir at Phoenix 10 years, and at present both he and his wife are ordinance workers in the temple. He is organist for the High Priests, always being a lover of music.

Children: Erma (Mrs. Dale Fredson), Iris Mae (Mrs. Michel Lillywhite), Ada Beth (Mrs. Rupert Johnson), Ida Felize (Mrs. Mayo Smith), Vernon Eli, Robert Stanley and Marion Floyd.

WALTER EDWARD SWAIN
AND SUSANNA JANE
SHELTON

Walter Edward Swain was born March 29, 1890. He married Susanna Jane Shelton on November 25, 1914, in the Salt Lake Temple. He was a farmer and raised sheep and cattle. He always was pleasant and had many friends. He was very fond of music. He was an active Church worker. He died August 10, 1920, of a kidney infection. Children: Lois, Mildred, Dora and Robert Walter.

Alvie Sweat

Elizabeth Sweat

HEBER CITY — Elizabeth Campbell Sweat, 78, Center Creek, Wasatch County, died in a Heber City Hospital Thursday, Oct. 24, 1985.

She was born Jan. 4, 1907 in Heber City to James and Maud Witt Campbell. She married Alvie Sweat on Jan. 21, 1925 in the Salt Lake Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He died July 11, 1979.

She was an active member of the LDS Church. She taught and served in various positions in all the auxiliary organizations since she was a young girl. She served as president of both Primary and M.I.A. She and her husband served a stake mission. She was recently honored for her outstanding service as a visiting teacher.

Survivors include four sons and one daughter: Theon C. Sweat, Duane J. Sweat and Evan E. Sweat, all of Center Creek; Mrs. Kay F. (NaDene) Probst, Midway, and LaVar H. Sweat, American Fork; 26 grandchildren; 44 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister, Grant Campbell, Glen Campbell, Milton Campbell and Mrs. Lovina Johnson.

Services will be Monday at 1 p.m. at the Center Ward church. Friends may call at Olpin Mortuary, Heber City, tonight 6-8 p.m. and at the church Monday one hour prior to services.

Burial will be in the Heber City Cemetery.



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LOUIS AND ELIZABETH BROADHEAD SWEAT



Louis Sweat was born in Provo on Sept. 5, 1859, a son of George Hyrum and Fimeline Mediam Sweat. He married Elizabeth Broadhead, daughter of Robert and Alice Ciega Broadhead in the old Endowment House in Salt Lake City on January 18, 1883. Elizabeth was born in Hiber City on October 30, 1866. Louis died May 5, 1937 at Center Creek and Elizabeth died January 16, 1935 also at Center. They were the parents of 13 children, including: Lewis who married Ora Galli; Sarah Elizabeth who married Bennett Lindsay; Elmer who married Wilhelmina Wilde and Thelma Tauler; Alice who married Roy Walker; Thomas Alfred; Orel who married Bertha Galli; Charles; Della who married Ewing Peterson; Julia Limestone who married Rodney Mahoney; Alvie Howard who married Beth Campbell; Nina May who married Lynn Fawson; Delbert who married Lorna Atwood, and Otis who married Ora Holland.

From his father Louis Sweat learned stangle making and followed this trade for a number of years. He also was an excellent farmer and was considered an expert in trees, shrubs and plants. At one time through budding and grafting he had seven varieties of apple growing on one tree.

He spent his early life in Provo and Center Creek and after marriage settled in the Mapie area. Later he moved down the creek to Center. He was also a stockman and owned cattle and sheep as well as sorrel stallions and other fine horses.

With his brother Joshua he worked in the timber and also built what is known as the Sweat ditch running from the Clyde place

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to the Peterson farm in Center, a distance of some three miles. They used a spirit level in building the ditch, which was built truly enough that it is still used today.

Elizabeth Sweat was active and devoted to the Church. She was a Relief Society teacher for more than 30 years, and conducted family prayers morning and night. She was also a good midwife and practical nurse.

Louis was also active in the Church, serving as superintendent of the Sunday School at Fruitland, Utah. While there he built a log church house for the community. He bore a strong testimony of the gospel throughout his life.

Farmer

He grew several

kinds of apples

off one tree.

*Farmer
Gardner*